

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
300 SCHOOL STREET  
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

REMOTE MEETING: October 13, 2020 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	James Cherry	Present
	Sherwin Collins	Present
	Ronald S. Little, Jr.	Present
	Wendy McClure	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Present
	Eion O'Neill	Present
	James Sando	Present
	Mark Tarlecki	Present
	Mayor Gregory D'Angelo	Present

Also in attendance were Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor, Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager and Michael Eves, Chief of Police.

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions.

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

There was none.

### **Consideration: Final Escrow Release 432-434 Shearer Street - \$2,890.65**

Council asked if there were any recent complaints regarding the stormwater facilities. Manager Hart stated that there were none and all stormwater management issues have been resolved according to the Borough Engineer.

Member McClure made a motion to approve a final escrow release in the amount of \$2,890.65, for the 432 Shearer Street Subdivision project. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

### **Discussion: 2021 Budget Calendar**

Manager Hart reviewed the 2021 Budget Calendar and the year-to-date profit and loss statement. She announced that the Finance Committee would be meeting on October 20 and also asked Council to review the YTD Profit and Loss so discussions on October 27 can take place relating to the 2021 Budget.

### **Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications**

Manager Hart announced that the Human Relations Commission has requested to attend Conflict Resolution along with Mediation Training for 2021.

**Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager**

Solicitor Gifford announced that there will be an executive session following the meeting to discuss a personnel and legal matter relating to Station Place and he anticipated no action will be taken.

Vice President Cherry read a passage from "Virtue of Cain: From Slave to Senator," a biography written by Cherry's cousin Kevin M. Cherry Sr. about Lawrence Cain, a shared ancestor who lived in Edgefield, South Carolina following the Civil War. While the circumstances are vastly different from today, Cherry told council at the close of their meeting, he sees some similarities to today. "It's a short speech, but I think it applies to a lot of things that are happening in this country right now, where we've put neighbor against neighbor because of one's beliefs, whether it's political or philosophical or religious," Cherry said. In recent weeks, Cherry said he has seen friends and neighbors spar with each other over lawn signs and social media posts, and said he hopes they draw the lesson to not let friendships be ruined over politics.

Council President Jim Sando added that Cain's speech echoed comments he made earlier this summer, calling for calm across the community, especially as Election Day draws nearer. "Although we are still seeing signs disappearing from people's property, and we're a few weeks out from whatever happens in November, I would once again call on our community's better angels between now and, let's say, January 20th, and we'll see how things work out, and we hope that we can figure out how to do that in a respectful way," Sando said.

Chief Eves announced that the Police Secretary has completed evidence custodian training which has greatly benefited the Department.

Manager Hart announced the 2020-2021 Consortium Salt Bid prices with Morton Salt being the lowest bidder at rates of \$51.05 per delivered ton and \$51.00 per nondelivered ton. She then announced locations for people to get their flu shots in October as per the Montgomery County Office of Public Health. Lastly, she announced the following events: National Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, October 24 and the North Wales Area Library 5k Run/Walk Event between October 24-31.

Manager Hart then reviewed the list of vacancies on the Borough's Boards and Commissions. Member O'Neill suggested the Borough should post yard signs in its parks to encourage people to apply to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board.

Member McClure made a motion to adjourn. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christine A. Hart  
Borough Manager